

Cementing Related Standards API RP 10B-3, API RP 10B-4 & API RP 10F

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RP 10B-3: Testing of Deepwater Well Cement Formulations

- WG formed to revise RP 10B-3 to enhance testing methods for cementing in deepwater environments at any depth below mudline
- Substantial modifications include:
 - Recommendations on mathematical temperature modeling and methods for determining well simulation thickening time and compressive strength test temperature and pressure ramps based on specific well conditions
 - Considerations for heat-of-hydration & thermal mass effects in large annuli
 - Provisions for simulating rig surface mixing conditions in laboratory testing
 - Improved compressive strength and static gel strength test methods
- Second draft ready for user review in January 2013



RP 10B-4: Preparation and Testing of Foamed Cement Slurries at Atmospheric Pressure

- WG formed to revise API RP 10B-4 to improve procedures for testing foamed cement under atmospheric pressure and develop new procedures for testing under elevated pressure and temperature conditions
- Phase 1: Short term atmospheric work to be published as 2nd Edition
 - Improve procedures for testing stability of atmospherically generated foamed cement
 - Test at minimum and maximum in-situ foam quality expected in the well
 - First working draft completed and awaiting user review & feedback by YE
- Phase 2: Long term pressurized work to be published as 3rd Edition
 - Develop procedures and equipment for lab preparation of foamed cement slurries under elevated pressures (≥1000 psi) and temperatures
 - Explore methods to evaluate impact of pressure, temperature and shear rate on foamed cement properties such as, bubble size distribution, foam stability, and mechanical properties of set cement
 - Investigate methods to simulate field foam generation in the lab



RP 10F: Performance Testing of Cementing Float Equipment

- WG formed to develop RP 10F into a Spec with an API Monogram
 - Include acceptance criteria and checkpoints
 - Include requirements for test frequency
 - May include requirements for system tests versus component tests
 - Evaluate test conditions for well conditions not currently considered
 - Non-aqueous fluids exposure
 - Differential pressure ratings higher than the current 5000 psi
 - Gas sealing float equipment
 - High angle/horizontal applications
 - High flow rates with high solids fluids
- First draft in progress with expected release for comments by YE



Thank You Questions?